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PRECEDENCE  
☒ ROUTINE

COUNTRY

EAST GERMANY/POLAND

SUBJECT

SED VIEW OF POLISH SITUATION

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1. ON 24 OCTOBER 1956 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SED CENTRAL COMMITTEE TALKED WITH STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF JOURNALISM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LEIPZIG. WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN POLAND, THE SED REPRESENTATIVES TOOK THE FOLLOWING POSITION: THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE IS OPPOSED TO THE NEW LINE BEING TAKEN BY THE POLISH GOVERNMENT, AND IS PARTICULARLY OPPOSED TO WLADYSLAW GOMULKA PERSONALLY. THEY SAID HE HAD INVOLVED HIMSELF IN SELF-CONTRADICTIONARY STATEMENTS IN THE SPEECH IN WHICH HE LAID DOWN THE NEW POLISH POLICY.

2. THE SED REPRESENTATIVES ARGUED THAT THE BASIS OF ANY POLICY FOR THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRACIES IS UNSHAKEABLE FRIENDSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION. IN THIS RESPECT THE NEW POLISH LINE HAS SHOWN MANY NEGATIVE DEVELOPMENTS. HOWEVER, AT THIS POINT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE A FINAL JUDGMENT, BECAUSE THE ULTIMATE OUTCOME OF THE NEW POLISH POLICY CANNOT YET BE PREDICTED.

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